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Washington, DC 20240

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Via email: 66194-42312083@requests.muckrock.com

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Dear Mr. Gottinger:

On December 16, 2018, you filed a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request seeking the following:

All e-mails sent or received by any government or personal e-mail accounts used by United States Secretary of the Interior Ryan Zinke on December 14, 2018 and December 15, 2018.

Your request was received in the Office of the Secretary FOIA office on December 16, 2018, and assigned control number **OS-2019-00295**. Please cite this number in any future communications with our office regarding your request.

We have classified you as a representative of the news media. As such, we may charge you for some of our duplication costs, but we will not charge you for our search or review costs; you also are entitled to up to 100 pages of photocopies (or an equivalent volume) for free. *See* [43 C.F.R. § 2.39](#). If, after taking into consideration your fee category entitlements, our processing costs are less than \$50.00, we will not bill you because the cost of collection would be greater than the fee collected. *See* [43 C.F.R. § 2.37\(g\)](#)

Fee Waiver

You have asked for a waiver of all FOIA processing fees. Please be advised that we are in the process of determining whether or not your entitlements are sufficient to enable us to process your request, or if we will need to issue a formal determination on your request for a fee waiver.

You have asked for copies of agency records. According to our regulations, you may choose the format of disclosure for such records. Unless you specify otherwise, the Office of the Secretary will provide copies of responsive records on a CD-ROM disk as scanned PDF images when the responsive records exceed 50 pages.

Because we will need to search for and collect requested records from field facilities or other establishments that are separate from the office processing the request, we are taking a 10-workday extension under 43 C.F.R. § 2.19. We are placing your request under the “Normal” processing track. See 43 C.F.R. § 2.15.

If you have any questions regarding the status of your request, or any of the issues discussed in this letter, you may contact Cindy Sweeney by phone at (202) 513-0765, by fax at (202) 219-2374, by e-mail at os_foia@ios.doi.gov or by mail at U.S. Department of the Interior, 1849 C St, N.W., MS-7328 MIB, Washington, D.C. 20240. You also may seek dispute resolution services from our Acting Public Liason, Ryan McQuighan.

Sincerely,

Ryan McQuighan
Office of the Secretary
Acting FOIA Officer